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Dear Brother Garrison,

I write you in behalf of the few freedom-loving Spirits here to invite you, may entreat you if in any way it can be consistent with your multiplicity of duties, to come & give us an anti-slavery lecture at Acton. We ask this of you, not because you are "abolitionism personified & incarnate", or the "God of our idolatry", but that you may be a living witness, not only against Southern Slavery, but against the travelling Spirit & evil genius of new-organisation. You need but remember that we are under the spiritual reign of J. T. Woodbury, or recur to the scene of our Quarterly meeting to be aware of the condition of things here. No efforts have been spared to render the old anti-Slavery Society, & yourself particularly, odious in the eyes of the people. Now we feel that there are some honest hearted ones here who, were it not for their prejudices, would be firm friends of primitive anti-slavery & we feel that you more than any other person might do away these prejudices. Can you not come? Just let us know in season & we will do our best to get the people out. There are a few free Spirits here who are made of "good stuff", but the way is so hedged up by sectarianism & prejudices that nothing can be done. What can be done?

Yours for the Slave

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